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CONSTRUCT FOR HIP JOINT PROSTHESIS
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Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants hereby make the following documents of record in the above-identified application:

U.S. Patents

- (1) U.S. Patent No. 5,725,597 issued 03-10-1998 to Hwang
- (2) U.S. Patent No. 5,372,130 issued 12-13-1994 to Stern et al.
- (3) U.S. Patent No. 6,261,322 issued 07-17-2001 to Despres, III et al.
- (4) U.S. Patent No. 6,248,811 issued 06-19-2001 to Ottersbach et al.
- (5) U.S. Patent No. 6,045,581 issued 04-04-2000 to Burkinshaw
- (6) U.S. Patent No. 5,998,024 issued 12-07-1999 to Frey et al.
- (7) U.S. Patent No. 4,216,549 issued 08-12-1980 to Hillberry et al.
- (8) U.S. Patent No. 4,166,292 issued 09-04-1979 to Bokros
- (9) U.S. Patent No. 3,953,899 issued 05-04-1976 to Charnley
- (10) U.S. Patent No. 6,419,707 issued 07-16-2002 to Leclercq
- (11) U.S. Patent No. 6,352,560 issued 03-05-2002 to Poeschmann et al.
- (12) U.S. Patent No. 6,120,545 issued 09-19-2000 to Hamelijnck et al.
- (13) U.S. Patent No. 5,824,104 issued 10-20-1998 to Tuke
- (14) U.S. Patent No. 5,549,683 issued 08-27-1996 to Bonutti
- (15) U.S. Patent No. 5,820,707 issued 10-13-1998 to Amick et al.

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Copies of these documents, which are listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 (one page), are enclosed herewith. Applicants respectfully request that these documents be fully considered by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application and printed on any patent which may issue on this application. Applicants also respectfully request that a copy of Form PTO-1449 (one page), as considered and initialed by the Examiner, be returned to the undersigned with the next communication.

A check in the amount of One Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$180.00) payable to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks also is enclosed herewith to cover the fee due in connection with this submission.

It is believed that this disclosure complies with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. If for any reason the Examiner considers otherwise, it is respectfully requested that the undersigned be contacted by the Examiner by telephone in order that any deficiencies may be expeditiously remedied.

The enclosed documents may have markings thereon. Applicants are not presently aware of the source of those markings, and no significance is meant to be attached thereto.

Please charge any additional fees due in connection with this submission, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 16-0221. A duplicate copy of this submission is enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

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